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CONNECTING PLATE OF A HYDROSTATIC MACHINE AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE CONNECTING PLATE

the specification of which
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